

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. NO.: 2399-02
BILL NO.: HB 1941
SUBJECT: Missouri Commission of Indian Affairs
TYPE: Original
DATE: February 28, 2000

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
General Revenue Fund	(\$151,078)	(\$155,428)	(\$159,423)
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	(\$151,078)	(\$155,428)	(\$159,423)

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
None	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of Administration - Division of Budget and Planning** and the **Office of the State Auditor** assume their agencies would not be fiscally impacted by the proposed legislation.

Officials from the **Department of Economic Development** (DED) assume coordination of the commission activities, administrative support and payment of all costs associated with the Commission will be done within DED. Assumption is made that this will be an active committee and thus there will be considerable travel associated costs as well as related activity. There will be one FTE of Executive Director to direct the activities of the Commission, one FTE of Planner II to conduct research and develop plans for the implementation of programs and one Clerk Typist II for support. The program would be administered similar to the Women's Council.

The Commission will meet quarterly and at other times as necessary and public hearings will also be conducted. The DED assumes that the Commission will seek the professional assistance of outside contract help in reviewing options for developing meaningful programs to assist Indian communities in social and economic development and in preparing the report to the Missouri General Assembly and the Governor.

DED officials noted that the fiscal estimate does not include the cost of new programs developed from recommendations made by the Commission.

Oversight assumes that there are numerous public and private agencies in existence dealing with most aspects of discrimination against Native Americans along with other states and that these agencies and states would provide the Commission with the benefits of their experience, thus eliminating the need for a consultant. Additionally, Oversight assumes the personnel requested in this proposal could be located in existing space.

Oversight has adjusted DED's staffing costs to reflect amounts in their fiscal estimate for a similar proposal from the 1999 session, plus 1%. Additionally, Oversight has adjusted DED's expense and equipment requests to bring them in line with Office of Administration guidelines.

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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
<u>Cost - Department of Economic Development</u>			
Personal Services (3 FTE)	\$82,940	\$102,016	\$104,566
Fringe Benefits	\$25,504	\$31,370	\$32,154
Expense and Equipment	<u>\$42,634</u>	<u>\$22,042</u>	<u>\$22,703</u>
Total <u>Cost</u> - DED	<u>(\$151,078)</u>	<u>(\$155,428)</u>	<u>(\$159,423)</u>

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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal creates the Missouri Commission of Indian Affairs within the Department of Economic Development. The commission is required to assist with Indian affairs on the local, state, and federal level for the social and economic protection of Indians. The commission must promote recognition of sacred and meaningful Indian cultural and religious traditions. It is also the duty of the commission to study information on all aspects of Indian affairs, including relief needs, technical assistance needs, federal programs, and current state law concerning Indians. The commission must establish appropriate procedures to provide legal recognition by the state of Native American Indians. Public hearings must be conducted on matters related to Indian affairs.

The proposal outlines the membership, terms, appointment, and compensation of the commission. The commission is required to meet quarterly after proper notice is given. A written annual report giving an account of its proceedings, transactions, findings, and recommendations must be submitted to the Governor and the General Assembly. The commission may hire an executive director to carry out the operations of the commission, including reviewing all applications and supporting documentation concerning the legal

DESCRIPTION (continued)

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recognition of Indian groups.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Economic Development
Office of Administration
Division of Budget and Planning
Office of the State Auditor

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Director
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